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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4866

INFO AMCONSUL MILAN IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, IT

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION - TWA FLIGHT 842

1. ACCORDING TWA OFFICIALS, ACCIDENT OCCURED TWA FLIGHT 842 UPON LANDING DECEMBER 22 AT MILAN'S MALPENSA AIRPORT. NO FATALITIES REPORTED. ACCIDENT REPORT BEING PREPARED BY AMCONSUL MILAN SEPTTEL.

2. LOCAL INVESTIGATING OFFICIALS (PRETORE OF GALLARATE, TOWN IN WHICH MALPENSA AIRPORT LOCATED) HAVE DEMANDED THAT TWA TURN OVER "BLACK BOX" TO ASSIST IN LOCAL INVESTIGATION. TWA IS RESISTING PRETORE'S DEMAND, AND HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE OF USG.

3. EMBASSY INCLINED TO SUPPORT TWA. IN OUR OPINION, ONLY CIVILAVIA-CONSTITUTED ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION BOARD (AIB), UPON WHICH COULD BE REPRESENTED BOTH AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURER AND AIRLINE, CAPABLE OF ASSURING COMPLETE AND EQUITABLE INVESTIGATION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT AIB HAS BEEN CONVOKED AND WILL MEET AFTERNOON DECEMBER 22. EMBASSY HAS COMMUNICATED ABOVE TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CIVILAVIA OFFICIALS. EMBASSY HAS DECLINED TO SEND OBSERVER TO INITIAL AIB MEETINGS. COPY OF EVENTUAL REPORT WILL BE REQUESTED.

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY/CONSULATE GENERAL WOULD

APPRECIATE ASAP DEPARTMENTAL GUIDANCE SHOULD LOCAL AUTHORITIES  
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